

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE THE APPLICATION OF: K. Matsutani, et al.

SERIAL NO.: 09/939,579

GROUP: 3731

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EXAMINER: D. Davis

TITLE: Ophthalmologic Knife

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

TRANSMITTED HEREWITH IS AN [X] AMENDMENT, [] REPLY, [] AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION IN THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION.

- [] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- [] A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- [X] No additional fee is required.

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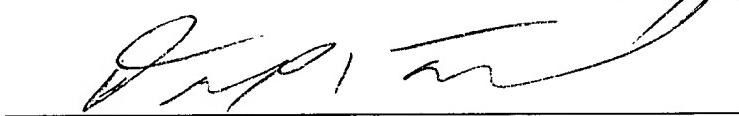
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